

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with applicants' representative, Keith Haddaway on May 11, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims, claims 24 and 60 have been amended as shown below.

Claim 24: In the last line of the claims, the semicolon (;) after the word "alkyl" has been replaced with a period (.).

Claim 60 has been amended as follows:

A hydroformylation reaction medium, wherein said medium comprises a catalyst system, a solvent, and hydrogen, wherein said system is for use in a process for the hydroformylation of ethylenically unsaturated compounds and which process comprises reacting said ethylenically unsaturated compound with carbon monoxide and hydrogen, in the presence of said system and said solvent ~~wherein said solvent is as defined in claim 2,~~ the catalyst system obtainable by combining:

- a) a metal of Group VIII or a compound thereof ~~as defined in claim 1;~~ and
- b) a bidentate compound as defined in claim [[1]] 2,

and wherein the reaction medium is characterized in that a chlorine moiety is present in at least one of said Group VIII metal compound or said solvent, including the possibility of being present in both.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sikarl A. Witherspoon whose telephone number is 571-272-0649. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-6:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel Sullivan can be reached on 571-272-0779. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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